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| the specific<br>(check one   | cation of which:<br>')                     |                            |                                   |                                       |  |
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| I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified spenification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above,  |  |                            |                                   |                                       |  |
| (acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the passonability of this application in accordance with Title 37. Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.   |  |                            |                                   |                                       |  |
| Thereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed;   |  |                            |                                   |                                       |  |
| Prior  | Foreign Application(s):                    |                            |                                   |                                       |  |
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